

# SANTA CLARITA WATERSHED RECREATION and CONSERVATION AUTHORITY

*a public entity of the state of california exercising joint powers of the city of santa clarita and the santa monica mountains conservancy  
pursuant to government code section 6500 et seq*

April 9, 1998

The Honorable George Runner  
California State Assembly  
P. O. Box 942849  
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## **AB 1743, Rim of the Valley Trail Corridor Expansion**

Dear Assemblyman Runner:

The Governing Board of the Santa Clarita Watershed Recreation and Conservation Authority (SCWRCA), at its public meeting of April 9, 1998, voted to formally support AB 1743, your bill to expand the Rim of the Valley Trail Corridor by including the region east of the Antelope Valley Freeway, including Whitney and Elsmere Canyons.

As you know, SCWRCA requested that you consider carrying such legislation by a unanimous vote at its meeting of November 20, 1997. At this time, the Governing Board wishes to reaffirm its support for your now-introduced bill, and applauds your vigorous efforts to carry it forward.

The Rim of the Valley Trail Corridor designation should be considered a positive step for property owners and local governments. Your bill will only enhance local and state planning efforts for trail and wildlife habitat linkages into Angeles National Forest, and provide a wider range of opportunities for potential acquisitions *from willing sellers*. The corridor designation would have *no real effect*, positive or negative, on Los Angeles County's landfill siting decisions.

Sincerely,

RICK PUTNAM, Chairman

cc: The Honorable Debra Bowen, Chair  
Assembly Natural Resources Committee